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## **Dedicated**

*To all*

*Students of Natural Science,  
Members of the Great School,  
Disciples of the Harmonic Philosophy,  
Friends of the Great Work,  
Members of the League of Visible Helpers,  
Subscribers to Life and Action,  
Readers of the Harmonic Literature,  
Believers in Evolution,  
Lovers of Truth,  
Helpers of Humanity, and  
Seekers for Happiness.*

## Flowers

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| January— <i>Crocus</i>         | July— <i>Daisy</i>             |
| February— <i>Carnation</i>     | August— <i>Pond Lily</i>       |
| March— <i>Violet</i>           | September— <i>Poppy</i>        |
| April— <i>Easter Lily</i>      | October— <i>Cosmos</i>         |
| May— <i>Lily of the Valley</i> | November— <i>Chrysanthemum</i> |
| June— <i>Rose</i>              | December— <i>Holly</i>         |

## Birth Stones

|                           |                                    |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| January— <i>Garnet</i>    | July— <i>Ruby</i>                  |
| February— <i>Amethyst</i> | August— <i>Sardonyx or Peridot</i> |
| March— <i>Bloodstone</i>  | September— <i>Sapphire</i>         |
| April— <i>Diamond</i>     | October— <i>Opal</i>               |
| May— <i>Emerald</i>       | November— <i>Topaz</i>             |
| June— <i>Pearl</i>        | December— <i>Turquoise</i>         |

## Wedding Anniversaries

|                                 |                           |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1st Year— <i>Cotton</i>         | 15th Year— <i>Crystal</i> |
| 2nd Year— <i>Paper</i>          | 20th Year— <i>China</i>   |
| 3rd Year— <i>Leather</i>        | 25th Year— <i>Silver</i>  |
| 5th Year— <i>Wooden</i>         | 30th Year— <i>Pearl</i>   |
| 7th Year— <i>Woolen</i>         | 40th Year— <i>Ruby</i>    |
| 10th Year— <i>Tin</i>           | 50th Year— <i>Golden</i>  |
| 12th Year— <i>Silk or Linen</i> | 75th Year— <i>Diamond</i> |

## Sentiments

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| January— <i>Constancy</i>             | July— <i>Contented Mind</i>                |
| February— <i>Sincerity</i>            | August— <i>Conjugal Felicity</i>           |
| March— <i>Courage</i>                 | September— <i>Wisdom</i>                   |
| April— <i>Innocence</i>               | October— <i>Hope</i>                       |
| May— <i>Success in love</i>           | November— <i>Fidelity</i>                  |
| June— <i>Health and long<br/>life</i> | December— <i>Purity and<br/>Prosperity</i> |

## January

Subject for Thought—*Consciousness*

Sentiment—*Constancy*

Flower—*Crocus*

Stone—*Garnet*

Of all the gifts that come to cheer,  
The best one is a brand New Year.  
Snow-wrapped and holly-decked it comes  
To richest and to poorest homes.  
Twelve jeweled Months all set with Days  
Of priceless Opportunities.  
A silver Moon and a golden Sun,  
With diamond Stars when the day is done;  
And over all a sapphire sky,  
Where pearly clouds go floating by.  
Joy to You for the Year that brings  
So many and such precious Things.

—*Bertha E. Jaques.*

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### January 1

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The Harmonic Philosophy is a philosophy of action as well as of introspection. It means the doing of that which is practical, as well as a contemplation of that which is ethical. It calls for the exercise of reason and the practice of principles, as well as the indulgence of the emotions and development of the aesthetic tastes. It looks to knowledge and goodness, as well as to culture and refinement. It means more than thinking or speculating or believing. It is the living and learning and doing. It is a life, not a creed.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p 461.

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### January 2

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By the right application of his knowledge and the right use of all his acquired powers he (man) comes into full co-operation with Nature's Constructive Principle.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 299.

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### January 3

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The individual who is honest with himself will not hesitate the fraction of a second to align himself with the position of the Great School, which holds that "all knowledge is a sacred trust." It is a trust, under the control of those who possess it, that must be administered for the greatest good to the largest number, which means for the greatest good of society.

—*The Great Work* p. 197.

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Law and order are a necessary part of man's rational development.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 363.

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January 5

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True spiritual development involves correct knowledge and correct use of power.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 54.

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January 6

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Maintain at all times the active, wakeful consciousness, and in the largest measure possible develop the power of individual self-control.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 359.

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Right praying is the bond between those who need and those who can give.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 37.

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The Great Work is an "individual" work. It is a work of individual development, individual unfoldment, individual attainment. It cannot be delegated. The individual who is to receive the benefits must do the work.

—*The Great Work* p. 363.

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January 9

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Every unselfish act done in behalf of one's fellow man brings to the benefactor a definite soul reward.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 341.

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True Happiness is the result of Love alone. Perfect Happiness is the result of the perfect Love relation. There are no substitutes.

—*The Great Work* p. 308.

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January 11

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Courage, brightness, cheerfulness, freedom from care, with perseverance, determination, hope and Faith are all mighty factors to supplement Nature's Constructive Principle in the restoration and conservation of health and life.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 100.

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As far as we are able to trace the authentic history of mankind, human intelligence has intuitively sensed a great fundamental law of Equity, Justice and Right which runs throughout all the manifestations of nature.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 285.

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January 13

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In the final summing up of life's purposes it will be found that masculine and feminine intelligences have served as equal factors in the higher evolution of man.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 444.

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January 14

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In the Spiritual Realm men and women are actuated by much the same motives and impulses, ambitions and aspirations, as in this life.

—*The Great Work* p. 440.

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This is not a philosophy of negation, of self-suppression, self-sacrifice, nor resignation. On the contrary, it is distinctly a philosophy of affirmation, self-development, self-importance and self-satisfaction. It is the philosophy of fulfillment and not of resignation.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 461.

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Earth life is a privilege and not a penalty.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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There is no achievement, in the realm of the Soul, without Personal Effort. Labor is the true measure of all Soul values.

—*The Great Work* p. 256.

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January 18

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To be physically perfect, mentally strong and ethically happy is the normal ideal towards which humanity moves.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 432.

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The perfectly happy man has no other choice of occupation than a work for humanity.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 457.

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Whoever has the intelligence to *know*, the courage to *dare*, and the perseverance to *do*, may understand, accept and prove this philosophy. To such an one the yoke is easy and the burden is light.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 463.

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January 21

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As clearly and as explicitly as may be expressed in the language of Nature's evolutionary processes, man appears to hold the key of individual immortality in his own hands.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 307.

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January 22

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Each individual is the architect of his own destiny. He is the builder or destroyer of his own happiness. There is no royal road to happiness, any more than there is to knowledge, power or fame. Rational happiness necessitates rational knowledge of the laws of life. It necessitates rational conformity to spiritual principles. It necessitates legal sanctions for natural relations.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 261.

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January 23

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Whatever may be claimed for astrology as a "science of prophecy," it must never be forgotten that man's individual power of Will is greater than the influence of any planet or combination of planets, in determining the lines of his individual life and conduct.

—*The Great Work* p. 252.

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January 24

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He who possesses knowledge or wisdom or power is likewise charged with the responsibility of rightly using it.

—*The Great Work* p. 258.

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*January 25*

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From the viewpoint of spiritual life, the man or the woman whose earthly life is spent in the accumulation and selfish enjoyment of the material things of earth, is far more to be pitied than those who have lived this life in poverty and want and who at death have nothing of material value to leave behind.

—*The Great Work* p. 356.

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*January 26*

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Knowledge and wisdom and experience are the earned increment of the Soul.

—*The Great Work* p. 257.

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*January 27*

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Consciousness is at the foundation of knowledge. Knowledge is an essential factor at the very foundation of Moral Accountability. Moral Accountability is at the foundation of Constructive Spirituality. But Constructive Spirituality is also at the foundation of Spiritual Independence and Mastership.

—*The Great Work* p. 213.

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Nature is generous after all, for she does not always demand of us that we pay in kind. She does, however, demand a full equivalent.

—*The Great Work* p. 247.

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January 29

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The thoroughly tempered or temperate individual, is he who exercises the Power of Self-Control over all the appetites, passions, desires, emotions, ambitions and impulses of his nature to such degree that none of them shall reach the destructive point.

—*The Great Work* p. 299.

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January 30

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Man goes to his destiny, whether it be in the realm of light and life and Immortality or in that of darkness, disintegration and Death, because he and he alone has so elected.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 339.

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January 31

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Man is invested with the power of individual choice in the spiritual life as well as in the physical. This, in fact, appears to be one of the inalienable rights of every responsible individual intelligence.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 299.

————— *January 31* —————

## February

Subject for Thought—*The Power of Will*

Sentiment—*Sincerity*

Flower—*Carnation*

Stone—*Amethyst*

### Give us Men!

"God give us men! A time like this demands  
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready  
hands;

Men whom the lust of lucre does not kill;  
Men whom the spoils of office can not buy;  
Men who possess opinions and a will;

Men who have honor; men who will not lie;  
Men who can stand before a demagogue  
And damn his treacherous flatteries without  
winking;

Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog,  
In public duty, and in private thinking:

For while the rabble with their thumb-worn creeds,  
Their large professions, and their little deeds,  
Mingle in selfish strife, Lo! freedom weeps;  
Wrong rules the land, and waiting Justice sleeps."

—*J. G. Holland.*

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February 1

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Wherever the spirit of intellectual Liberty, Religious Freedom, and the practice of Fraternity and Equality have gone, the genius and the spirit of the Great School have pointed the way.

—*The Great Work* p. 44.

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The kind of "serenity" for which we must strive is not the serenity of stagnation nor that of inertia. It must be the serenity of action.

—*The Great Work* p. 314.

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February 3

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Every law of individual life upon the plane of physical nature has its correlation upon the spiritual planes of being. They are, indeed, but the same laws running through all the varied phases and conditions of Nature.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 111.

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If only the sad and self-pitying could know how brief is the space of earth's trials and disciplines when compared with the enduring rewards of Courage, Faith, Patience and Cheerfulness, no one would waste his opportunities in the kind of self-com-miseration that makes for Psychological Phthisis.

—*The Great Work* p. 350.

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February 5

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Every rational being is responsible for the character of influences which he exerts upon his fellow man.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 456.

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February 6

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The broad highway to the North is the "Way of Self-Indulgence." The narrow pathway to the South is "The Way of Self-Control." It is the latter Way that leads to Mastership.

—*The Great Work* p. 277.

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Natural Science \*\*\* declares that man is the highest expression of Nature's great plan. It declares that he is the nearest approach to Nature's ultimate purpose.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 72.

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February 8

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In the realm of Morality the Law of Compensation is inexorable.

—*The Great Work* p. 247.

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February 9

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There is a universal law of individual development and fulfilment. There is a natural law of marriage and a natural law of happiness. The universal ideal of love and of individual companionship between man and woman is neither a dream nor a delusion. That perfect ideal is the Soul's perception of a natural relation. It is the Soul's prophecy of an evolutionary possibility.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 349.

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Truth is always a friend to him who honestly seeks it and a benefactor to him who lives it.

—*The Great Work* p. 25.

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February 11

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Religion is not a matter of duty to God, but of duty of man to himself and to his fellow man.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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February 12

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Whoever loses himself in a common cause, or in his love of humanity, is the man we would canonize.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 455.

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Natural Science \*\*\*\* declares that spiritual knowledge and spiritual powers gained at the expense of a natural, purposeful human life are useless knowledge and power to both the individual and the world.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 32.

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### February 14

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When two rational beings think alike they are alike. They are already indissolubly bound. To think alike is to live, aspire, feel and act upon the same general principles. This is fellowship which guarantees permanent understanding, establishes confidence, fixes faith and banishes solitude. This is the alliance which means health, progress and happiness.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 451.

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### February 15

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Exact and definite knowledge is always of the greatest possible value and importance to every individual who has the moral courage to use it rightly.

—*The Great Work* p. 21.

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Holiness in the modern sense does not mean a life of isolation, introspection and subjective ecstasy. Instead, it means a practical life in the midst of men.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 55.

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A calm, clean and philosophic life is the natural result of a scientific course of self-development.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 52.

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Man, as an individualized Intelligent Soul, must preserve the perfect balance of his account with nature.

—*The Great Work* p. 233.

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The cravings of the Soul for ethical adjustment and intellectual companionship are demands which transcend the planes of materiality. These can be satisfied only upon the plane of the Soul itself.

—*The Great Work* p. 240.

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So should we live that every hour  
May die as dies the natural flower,  
A self-reviving thing of power;  
That every thought and every deed  
May hold within itself the seed  
Of future good or future need.

—TK. in "*Life and Action*."

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February 21

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It matters not to whom you pray, if you need the help for which you ask, and your prayer is honest. But pray.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 30.

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February 22

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The Constitution of the United States is an almost infinitely higher ideal of human liberty and justice than was the Mosaic code. The Sermon on the Mount still embodies an ethical creed far in advance of the world's development.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 81.

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February 23

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Intuitions of a spiritual life are not proofs even to the rational mind of any individual. They are, however, truths to his soul and are sources of consolation, of hope and of inspiration.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 18.

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Morality \*\*\* is the scientific basis and natural beginning-point of all true Spiritual Unfoldment and the natural point from which to proceed in the development of all Psychic Powers.

—*The Great Work* p. 150.

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It is important that every individual should know that every right endeavor is a step nearer to Nature's purpose. The great general task of Nature is lightened by every individual process which refines the physical body, develops reason and induces morality.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 345.

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February 26

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Natural Science holds that Faith is "The Intuitive Conviction of that which both Reason and Conscience approve."

—*The Great Work* p. 429.

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The law of Life is the law of Individual Development.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 354.

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In all our efforts for individual unfoldment and progress we are never to lose sight of the fact that each one of us constitutes a unit of force and purpose in the great Body of Humanity of which we are a part, and that we owe it to Society, as well as to ourselves, to be a healthy unit in that capacity and to render to Society the highest measure of healthful Service of which we are capable.

—*The Great Work* p. 309.

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Hope is the healthy attitude of the Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 447.

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## March

Subject for Thought—*The Law of Compensation*

Sentiment—*Courage*

Flower—*Violet*

Stone—*Blood-Stone*

## Song of Patience

Live on, O life of mine!  
Though often thou dost yearn to be at rest,  
He who hath lent thee life hath thought it best  
Thine to prolong till more through thee are blest;  
Live on, and cease repine.

Work on, O hands of mine!  
Ennobling thought that even thou canst share  
A part with God in making earth more fair;  
Then labor calmly on, and to complain forbear,  
Fulfilling his design.

Trust on, O heart of mine!  
Though dark the way and rough the angry sea,  
Thy pilot holds the helm, thy Father beckons thee;  
One guides the course of every songster free,  
To him thine all resign.

Sing on, O soul of mine!  
Sing songs of faith, and hope, and joy, and cheer:  
Outsound the discord grating on thine ear,  
And bring celestial music, sweet and clear,  
To lonelier hearts than thine.

—*Martha Arnold Boughton.*

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### March 1

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He who has both hope and faith may acquire actual knowledge, provided he have the Intelligence, the Courage and the Perseverance to prove the law.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 14.

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### March 2

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Conscience is that which tells us we love or hate, or are happy or miserable, irrespective of either reason, convention or legal codes. Conscience, in fact, is the voice of the intelligent Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* pp. 27-28.

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### March 3

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Only by the most cheerful acquiescence in and compliance with the Law of Personal Responsibility is it possible for the individual ever to align himself with the Constructive Principle of Nature in Individual Life, and thus proceed onward and upward along the pathway of individual evolution.

—*The Great Work* p. 381.

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### March 4

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Slowly, laboriously, and oftentimes reluctantly, it is at last borne in upon the intelligent consciousness of every student, that there is but one way whereby the problem of Personal Responsibility may ever be solved, and that is by *The Living of a Life*.

—*The Great Work* p. 386.

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### March 5

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It is the province of science to disclose the facts of Nature. It is the province of philosophy to illustrate principles. It is the privilege of the individual and society to accept or reject those facts as the rule and guide to action.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 453.

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### March 6

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If, of his own free will and independent choice, man elects to acknowledge and respect the majesty of the law he thereby earns the rewards and benefits which the law guarantees.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 338.

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Prayer and its Answer, reduced to the simple elements which enter into the process, involve the separate and distinct acts of asking, receiving and giving.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 49.

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March 8

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Labor is the true measure of all Soul values. It might well be made the measure of all material exchange in the world of economics. *It is the only legitimate standard of value in the realm of sociology.*

—*The Great Work* p. 256.

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Experience is the essential basis of all knowledge, and nothing will permanently satisfy the craving of a Soul that is hungry for Spiritual Truth but definite personal knowledge.

—*The Great Work* p. 430.

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If we measure the value of a thing by the sorrow its loss occasions, then love is surely the "greatest thing in the world."

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 432.

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*March 11*

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The goal of Spiritual Independence and Master-ship is one which cannot be reached by those whose impatience would impel them to travel "cross-lots" or to skip any of the "hard places."

—*The Great Work* p. 318.

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*March 12*

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Let us intelligently, courageously and persistently apply ourselves to the honest and earnest search for definite, personal knowledge.

—*The Great Work* p. 24.

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The average man seems to be shut out and away from all conscious touch with the spiritual world. But this is only a seeming condition, for it is not true in fact.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 41.

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The workshop occupies so much of life, thought and energy that no one should refuse an occasional hour in the playroom.

—*The Gay Gnani of Gingalee* p. 6.

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Physical death is not the end. \*\* It is a new gateway which opens to individual intelligence the seemingly infinite possibilities of other and higher realms of being.

—*The Great Work* p. 31.

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## March 16

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There being but one fixed and definite standard of life for each individual, and that being the highest ideal of Equity, Justice and Right (as determined by the Soul Attributes of the individual himself at any given time), it follows that each individual is bound by the great Law of Personal Responsibility, to conform his life to that Standard.

—*The Great Work* p. 388.

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## March 17

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Man is an active, independent, self-conscious, rational and voluntary factor and power in his own individual evolution.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 299.

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## March 18

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It is a scientific fact which anyone may demonstrate in course of time, under proper instruction, that the impulse of the human Soul formulated into a definite thought is a force.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 53.

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— *March 19* —

The badge of the charlatan is Intellectual Vanity.

The badge of the Master is genuine Humility.

—*The Great Work p. 333.*

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— *March 20* —

One truth does not extinguish, nor in any manner conflict with, another truth. It only adds to its potency and value.

—*The Great Work p. 32.*

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— *March 21* —

Each spiritual sphere is inhabited by those and those only who, by individual effort, have climbed to its level and earned the right to enter and share its rewards.

—*The Great Psychological Crime p. 235.*

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True living is a state of progress and fulfillment, irrespective of external conditions of this earthly life.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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A life of Service to others draws unto itself all the "respect" and all the "protection" it is possible for society, with few exceptions, to render to any human being.

—*The Great Work* p. 306.

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The greater the candle-power of light the more perfectly we discern the true colors of things physical. In like manner, the greater the volume of truth at our command the more clearly are we able to discern the delicate shadings of principle which color all life.

—*The Great Work* p. 32.

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The definite testimony of the Masters has inspired many to walk by Faith the hard path of this life, and with serenity and confidence journey out into the mysterious realms of the, to them, Unknown.

—*The Great Work* p. 437.

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The influence of the mind upon the condition of the physical body is one of the most patent, potent and unmistakable pathological and physiological facts of all Nature.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 91.

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Natural Science teaches courage instead of stoicism. It inculcates unselfishness rather than sacrifice. It commands temperance and not asceticism. It enjoins patience instead of resignation.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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## March 28

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Riches can buy the comforts of life, but they cannot buy life itself.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 21.

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The first duty of the individual is to himself, his second to benefit humanity. The latter is his duty whether the world appears friendly or hostile to his purpose.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 83.

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## March 30

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Truth is the vital principle at the foundation of all Constructive Spiritual Unfoldment and Soul Growth.

—*The Great Work* p. 32.

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Self-Control is one of the most important achievements of the student in his struggle for Spiritual Independence and Illumination. It is at the same time one of the most difficult tasks set by Nature for Individual Intelligence in its evolutionary struggle toward Spiritual Light.

—*The Great Work* p. 279.

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## **April**

Subject for Thought—*Self-Control*

Sentiment—*Innocence*

Flower—*Easter Lily*

Stone—*Diamond*

### Three Gates

“If you are tempted to reveal  
A tale someone to you has told  
About another, make it pass,  
Before you speak, Three Gates of Gold.

Three narrow gates—First, “Is it true?”  
Then, “Is it needful?” In your mind  
Give truthful answer. And the next  
Is last and narrowest, “Is it kind?”

And if to reach your lips at last  
It passes through these gateways three,  
Then you may tell the tale, nor fear  
What the result of speech may be.”

—*Author not known to us.*

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## April 1

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This philosophy accepts this earthly life, and this physical body with all its functions, as a necessary, important and legitimate part of the destiny of the soul. It, therefore, enjoins an earthly life well sustained and well rounded in all its activities and relations. The individual is not admonished to "lose himself in the Universal," but rather to find himself in a particular world of actualities. Earthly life is not presented here as an illusion of the senses, but as a very real and tangible opportunity for the intelligent soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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## April 2

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There is no achievement, in the realm of the Soul, without Personal Effort.

—*The Great Work* p. 256.

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## April 3

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Spiritual people, like earthly people, seek those localities and that social environment which correspond to their own stages of development.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 61.

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Marriage has but one proper, natural impulse, inspiration and motive, viz., the well-being and Happiness of the individuals concerned.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 445.

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*April 5*

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From birth to death man is the one being who must live, attain, enjoy or suffer in the exact ratio of his own independent and rational self-development.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 294.

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*April 6*

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Nature evolves a Man. Man, co-operating with nature, evolves a "Master."

—*The Great Work* p. 9.

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April 7

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There are three distinct and separate keys to the temple of health. One of these unlocks the outer gate which leads to the great, broad court of physical Nature. Another unlocks the middle door, which leads to the inner court of spiritual Nature. The third unlocks the secret door to the inner sanctuary, the "Holy of Holies."

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 105.

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April 8

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The spiritual development of an individual is, in truth, measured by the intelligence with which he applies his knowledge to the accomplishment of moral purposes.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 236.

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April 9

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No man's ideals can transcend the best and the highest intuitions of his own Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 408.

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Two individuals are as necessary to the existence of Happiness as the elements (Oxygen and Hydrogen) are necessary to the existence of water.

—*The Great Work* p. 308.

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*April 11*

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There is no exercise so conducive to Soul growth as the unselfish act of imparting to others who need, the knowledge that will help them.

—*TK. in "Life and Action."*

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*April 12*

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There is that within man himself upon which Personal Responsibility depends.

—*The Great Work* p. 369.

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April 13

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Help others to have a good time. There is no straighter road to health and Self-Control.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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April 14

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The highest and most exalted phase or mode of consciousness is the desire of the Soul for Individual Completion. Its satisfaction involves the highest activity of the Soul, which is Love. Its complete satisfaction we call "Happiness."

—*The Great Work p. 244.*

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April 15

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An intelligent, purposeful and happy spiritual life depends upon the substantial basis of an intelligent, purposeful and chaste human life.

—*Harmonics of Evolution p. 70.*

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April 16

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Knowledge alone determines the existence, as well as the degree, of Moral Accountability and Personal Responsibility.

—*The Great Work* p. 213.

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April 17

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Effort alone is not sufficient. It requires Unselfish Effort. This means Effort which has for its object benefit to others as well as to Self.

—*The Great Work* p. 308.

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April 18

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Each one of us is bound by the most exalted obligation that could be fixed upon us, viz.:—

1. To make use of all the faculties, capacities and powers of the Soul.
2. To make a right use of them, in such manner as to conform our lives to the Constructive Principle of Nature.
3. To do this to the full limit of our own abilities.
4. To do it all the time.

—*The Great Work* p. 347.

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April 19

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Let it be remembered, that so long as there remains one aspiration for good, one desire for light, one cry of conscience, one prayer for help, Nature responds and sends her messengers.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 334.

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April 20

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Actual knowledge comes as the result of labored personal effort. A mere opinion or belief may rest upon very slight evidence, or none at all. The acquisition of knowledge, which means a personal demonstration of facts, requires work.

—*The Great Work* p. 33.

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April 21

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Our individual faculties, capacities and powers were given us for a very specific and definite purpose. If we would reach the mountain top we must climb. We cannot ride upon the shoulders of our fellows.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 235.

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While intelligence, morality and knowledge are all essential elements of spiritual growth and development, it requires the three in relative combination in the life of an individual to determine his spiritual gravity.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 236.

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April 23

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Every man and every woman is a factor for health or disease, for harmony or discord, for happiness or unhappiness. Every human being radiates his own conditions, physical, spiritual and psychical. The radius of personal influence is only limited by personal power and by the counter influences of other individuals.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 456.

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April 24

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Man obtains control of his individual faculties, capacities and powers only in accordance with his own independent, self-conscious and rational desire and will, and through honest, intelligent, courageous and persistent personal effort, in conformity with Nature's Constructive Principle.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 146.

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April 25

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Ignorance on the one hand, and indolence on the other, serve as "sinkers" to prevent many an otherwise qualified individual from rising to higher and more exalted planes of spiritual life and being.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 237.

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April 26

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Virtue never grew and matured into a permanent possession of any Soul except as compensation for the strivings of that Soul for better things. Knowledge and wisdom never thrust themselves gratuitously upon any man. Sometime, somewhere, he has paid their full price in Personal Effort; and they have come to him only as compensation for the energy he has spent in his struggle upwards into the light of Truth. —*The Great Work* p. 256.

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April 27

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Science has come to know that the spiritual side of matter is the organic and vital side, that spiritual things are the enduring things, that spiritual forces are the governing forces of physical phenomena, and that psychical forces are the governing forces of ethical phenomena.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 141.

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*April 28*

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"Mastery" would not be Mastery if it deprived man of the power of Self-Control or of any other of the faculties, capacities and powers of the Soul by the exercise of which he is able to do, or not do, or undo whatsoever lies within the pathway of unfoldment over which he has once traveled.

—*The Great Work* p. 162.

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*April 29*

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*To fear nothing*, is the key to both psychological and physical freedom, and after that, to trust to the Invisible Helpers is the next step.

—*Florence Huntley* in "*Life and Action*."

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*April 30*

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There is in man an intuitive sense or consciousness of a larger world for him than that alone of which his physical senses bear witness.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 132.

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## May

Subject for Thought—*Cheerfulness*

Sentiment—*Love*

Flower—*Lily-of-the-Valley*

Stone—*Emerald*

## Look Pleasant

We cannot, of course, all be handsome,  
And it's hard for us all to be good;  
We are sure now and then to be lonely,  
And we don't always do as we should.

To be patient is not always easy,  
To be cheerful is much harder still;  
But at least we can always be pleasant,  
If we make up our mind that we will.

And it pays every time to look kindly,  
Although you feel worried and blue;  
If you smile at the world and be cheerful,  
The world will smile back at you.

So try to brace up and look pleasant,  
No matter how low you are down,  
Good humor is always contagious,  
But you banish your friends when  
you frown.

—*Anonymous.*

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May 1

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The Representative of the Great School is the man or woman whose life, speech, manner and appearance best conform to the common, average ideal of honesty, courtesy, graciousness and elegance.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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May 2

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Morality is a fundamental problem which must be reckoned with by those who elect to travel the pathway of the "Independent Method of Spiritual Self-Unfoldment," which alone, through the development of Constructive Spirituality, leads to the goal of Mastership.

—*The Great Work p. 144.*

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May 3

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Talk of happy things. Think of pleasant things and learn to take this old world cheerfully and comfortably.

—*Florence Huntley, in "Life and Action."*

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An individual may cultivate or neglect the powers of the soul, just as he may cultivate or neglect the powers of the body or spirit.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 391.

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This philosophy continually reminds man that it is the life here which determines life there.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 77.

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It is safe to say that all men desire to live after physical death. Most of them hope for such a life. Many have faith. There are, however, more whose hope and whose faith alternate with misgiving and doubt. For hope is not faith, nor is faith knowledge, yet both are inspirations to life. Hope is but a fleeting intuition, while faith is the steady expectation of the soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 13.

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A gift of knowledge carries with it a sense of appreciation and respect which strongly impels the recipient to use it only for right purposes.

—TK. in "*Life and Action.*"

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It is upon this power of reason that man depends to guard himself from errors, mistakes and accidents of life. This is the power which enables him to anticipate the natural and logical results of his own actions.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 319.

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No effort of the individual to "Live the Life" is ever lost. It all counts. Every day he squares his life by the Ethical Formulary brings him that much nearer the goal of Spiritual Illumination and Mastership.

—*The Great Work* p. 177.

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## May 10

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There is a Constructive Principle of Nature. It is an established Principle. That is to say, it is fixed and immutable. If man would grow, evolve and unfold spiritually and psychically he must live and conduct himself in such manner as to keep himself in harmony with that Principle. In other words, he must maintain the Harmonics of the relation. If he does this nature will do the rest and will unfold his powers, physically, spiritually and psychically.

—*The Great Work* pp. 171-72.

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## May 11

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Man stands solitary and alone upon the summit of that splendid ascent of individual life, a fitting expression of the consummation of Nature's stupendous scheme of evolution.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 314.

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## May 12

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There was never yet a lover's quarrel. Love is a divine understanding, and that which brands it a cruel, jealous, tyrannical passion, is the voice of ignorance. Love acknowledges a million debts, it never sets a task. Love gives to the uttermost but it never makes a demand. Love knows but one, and that its other, dearer self.

—*The Dream Child* p. 177.

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When the physical body ceases its abnormal demands the natural tendency is temperance and chastity. When the mind becomes enriched with knowledge and the Soul becomes conscious of normal living, the desire is so to live as to enjoy Nature's beneficences.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 52.

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May 14

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Personal Responsibility rests upon, involves the existence of, and in its essential nature is in fact and in truth, a "Duty," a "Liability," a "Burden," a "Moral Obligation." This is one of the most important discoveries ever made by human intelligence.

—*The Great Work* p. 382.

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A rational, spiritual self-development is the work of years.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 360.

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The people who *succeed with people* are those who present the greatest number of like traits of character to *average* people. And this is the secret of leadership by divine right.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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May 17

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Cultivate the sense of humor. Laugh once in a while.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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This physical life is the training-ground from which we pass to a higher conflict. The life we live here determines the level to which we gravitate there.

—*The Great Psychological Crime p. 335.*

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Lose yourself in your efforts to help others.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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A good laugh is a better weapon of defense against malign influences than anything I know.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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The spirit of true co-operation is at the basis of all Constructive Prayer; and the individual who is not as ready and willing to give as he is to receive, is not entitled to have his prayers answered.

—*Who Answers Prayer p. 56.*

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## May 22

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We must not forget how Nature conspires to spread the Truth. In some remote region, by an obscure prophet, a single truth is uttered. The very winds of heaven become its messengers. Ignorance, power and superstition rise to crush the intruder. They may seize the prophet, imprison him, torture him, nail him to the cross; but the truth he uttered mocks their wrath, defies their authority, and escapes their dungeons, racks and penalties. It escapes, spanning the seas, encircling the earth and sweeping outward to the very confines of human thought.

—*The Dream Child* pp. 162-3.

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## May 23

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Every definite and worthy accomplishment of this life has its specific compensatory value in the spiritual world.

—*The Great Work* p. 440.

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## May 24

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Most of us are dogmatic and intolerant without knowing it. It is more pleasant to preach than it is to practice. Therefore the majority preach and the minority practice.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 24.

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It is of the utmost importance to the cause of truth, that every man who speaks for the world to hear should never allow himself to forget that personal experience is the only absolute basis and infallible test of what we know. Whatever fails to reach the demands of this simple and exact test does not rise to the dignity of actual and personal knowledge.

—*The Great Work* p. 12.

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May 26

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It is easier to entertain a prejudice than it is to acquire the knowledge necessary to rise above it.

—*The Great Work* p. 23.

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May 27

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To travesty a noble theme is easy, for in this great world of ours the sublime and the ridiculous forever march side by side, and oftentimes their relation is one of great intimacy.

Side by side walk the noble and the ignoble, the wise and the foolish, the serious and the mirthful, the fine and the unrefined, the lofty and the trivial, the religious and the sacreligious, the philosophic and the foolish.

The wise man and the fakir hourly cross each other's paths, and their contact and contrast often afford a laugh for the merry and a lesson for the thoughtful.

—*The Gay Gnani of Gingalee* pp. 205-6.

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There is in Nature that which I have come to designate as the "Higher Destiny," which seems to have under its guidance and control all the constructive forces of the Universe. It makes for good always. If we only assume the "Mental Attitude" which puts our lives and our motives in parallel lines with the action of those forces, we do not need to worry or grieve or trouble over the purely material problems of life.

—TK. in "*Life and Action.*"

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*May 29*

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Light dispels darkness. So also, truth dissipates ignorance (which is intellectual darkness).

—*The Great Work* p. 32.

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*May 30*

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Man would be no longer Man if the element of Personal Responsibility were taken out of his being.

—*The Great Work* p. 369.

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May 31

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Among the dearest possessions of the Soul is the sovereign, independent power to command in your own right the confidence, the approval, the trust, the respect, the appreciation and the personal affection of your fellow men and women.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 355.

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## June

Subject for Thought—*Self-Completion*

Sentiment—*Health and Life*

Flower—*Rose*

Stone—*Pearl*

## Drifting

There swung one day in the fair June sky  
A silver mist,  
A cloud-king, gleamed his scepter high  
By sunlight kis't.

In lonely pride sailed he from place to place  
Uncertain, dim,  
Till hope afar in the azure mist,  
Uprose to him.

A dew-drop cloud, sunbright and sweet,  
First smiled, then wept.  
To her, on windy wings and fleet,  
He madly swept.

Speeding swift, they two, in love's embrace,  
Athwart the sky  
Met, melted, mingled in the deeps of space,  
One cloud for aye.

—*Florence Huntley.*

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### June 1

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In the spiritual life man's ability to persist and advance from lower to higher planes of existence is commensurate with his own independent control of all his individual faculties, capacities and powers, and in response to his independent, self-conscious and rational desire so to persist and advance.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 146.

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### June 2

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Every unselfish act which brings comfort, aid, joy, happiness or good to another carries with it the obligation upon the one so receiving to give in equal measure to those who need.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 341.

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### June 3

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The growth and development of the Soul are like to the growth and development of the lily; a pure white flower, springing from roots imbedded in the earth.

—*The Dream Child* p. 166.

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The School of Natural Science holds that wherever a "personal experience" is possible nothing short of this will be accepted by it as a "scientific demonstration." All data which cannot be reduced in their final analysis to a basis of "personal experience" are held by it as qualified, and subject to further and more complete verification.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 99.

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No man can apply his knowledge of this higher Science to selfish or ignoble purposes without himself, sooner or later, falling a victim to the forces and processes he thus employs.

—*The Gay Gnani of Gingalee* p. 187.

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## June 6

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Nature is never impatient with those who honestly and humbly seek to discharge their just liabilities under her laws.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 342.

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June 7

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The definite work of Constructive Unfoldment, therefore, is not merely an intellectual diversion or employment. While it is all that, it is also vastly more than that. For it is the application of moral principles to human conduct. It involves the *Living of a Life* in conformity with the Constructive Principle of Nature, as this has been demonstrated by the Great Masters throughout the ages, and by them unfolded to their successive students.

—*The Great Work* p. 151.

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June 8

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These are the attributes of the Soul—Self-Consciousness, Reason, Independent Choice and Independent, Self-Conscious and Rational Volition.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 328.

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God, or Nature, seems to have made each particular sphere of life a treasure-house to which each individual is given the key at entrance.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 235.

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Individual advancement means always and everywhere individual effort in right lines.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 235.

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The purpose of earth life is not to find a heaven, but to make one.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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Exact and definite knowledge comes to all of us in exact ratio with the amount of intelligence, moral courage and perseverance we put into the active search for it.

—*The Great Work* p. 22.

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Those who achieve individual success are those who employ their own intelligence and their own reason, those who exercise their own independent powers and rely upon their own independent judgments in all the affairs of life.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 354.

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The whole office and meaning and purpose of prayer is Mutual Service.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 37.

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*June 15*

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We do not hesitate an instant to declare that the man who controls vast wealth or large estates does not deserve them unless he puts them to their proper and legitimate use.

—*The Great Work* p. 348.

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## June 16

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From the view-point of the Great School, science and philosophy and religion are in no sense conflicting schools. They do not antagonize each other in their essential nature. On the contrary, they are, in truth, concomitant factors in the same great problem of individual life and unfoldment. And Truth is the vital element which relates them all.

—*The Great Work* p. 185.

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## June 17

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This philosophy wisely holds that so long as man lives in the physical body and makes his home upon this solid earth, his best energies belong to his development in this earthly sphere of action.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 77.

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## June 18

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The general average of individual happiness will be immeasurably increased when the individual is willing to expend the same intellectual energy in the selection of a life-long companion that he does in the study of the arts and sciences.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 348.

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## June 19

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*For whom may we pray?* For all who are weary and heavy laden; for all who are afflicted in body, mind or soul; for all who are oppressed with sorrow and are in distress; for all who are bound by ignorance, superstition or fear; for all who hate you, persecute or despitefully use you; for all who suffer from temptations to evil; for all who wander in darkness and are seeking the light; for all who follow the wrong yet know the right; for all who are in the bondage of evil intelligences and destructive forces; for all who are in need of that which is in the power of others to bestow.

—TK. in "*Life and Action.*"

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## June 20

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Man was not given "dominion" over the kingdoms below him without at the same time incurring the Personal Responsibility which his Intelligence and their innocent ignorance create.

—*The Great Work* p. 419.

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## June 21

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The Great School teaches that Intelligent Prayer is the open door between the two worlds.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 37.

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Nature works only through the individual, whether it be an atom, a cell, or a man.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 77.

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June 23

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She who presides over the destinies of the home, even though she labor early and late to meet the multiplicity of demands upon her time, her thought and her strength, has utterly failed of her duty if the spirit of bitterness, impatience, protest or complaint pervades her soul and casts its somber shadow over the home.

—*The Great Work* p. 317.

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June 24

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Man and woman simply represent the two indispensable and vital factors in the evolution of man. While they differ in nature, in offices, in capacities and in attainments, they are, however, equal in their uses and one in their purposes.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 220.

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The Inalienable Right of Individual Liberty is one which every intelligent Soul cherishes. But the kind of liberty which means nothing more than merely to be "let alone" is of small value as compared with the liberty of the Soul which comes from a life of Service in the Cause of Truth and Humanity.

—*The Great Work* p. 306.

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History, experience and intuition unite \*\*\* in proclaiming the value of the individual, both to himself and to the world.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 155.

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Nature never demands more from her citizens than they are able to perform.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 342.

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The ideals of, and the capacities for happiness, are as infinite as individuality itself.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 250.

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Intelligence must have occupation. The happy man, as well as the unhappy, must find employment for his energies and capacities.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 457.

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Every physical sensation, impulse, desire, emotion or passion is a different string upon the harp of physical nature.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 425.

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## July

Subject for Thought—*Self-Satisfaction*

Sentiment—*Contentment*

Flower—*Daisy*

Stone—*Ruby*

## When?

When is the age of romance quite over?  
When does the spirit of fancy die?  
When is a man too old for a lover?  
When is a woman too old to sigh?

When are we gladdened by white hairs sprinkled  
Over the brown and over the gold?  
When do we welcome a face that is wrinkled?  
When are we willing to call ourselves old?

When the song of a bird has no hint of gladness,  
And our hearts are not warmed by the roses  
in bloom;

When laughter of childhood beguiles us to sadness,  
And fullness of springtime compels us to gloom;

When light-hearted lovers are sights that distress us,  
And all generations seem great but the last;  
In yearning—not pleasures, but priests to confess us,  
We know beyond doubting that fair youth is  
past.

"Youth" and "Old Age" are words without meaning,  
Save as life's sorrows are heaped upon men;  
Age may descend upon youth in its dreaming,  
While youth may abide with three score and ten.

—*Florence Huntley*

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July 1

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. . . . The Law of Compensation, the Law of Mutual Service, the Law of Right Use . . . . fixes upon every individual the obligation to become the true and willing servant of all men.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 52.

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July 2

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Christ's one long fast is about all we hear of austerity. He appears to have had in view for the masses not so much the scientific development of spiritual insight, as the right performance of earthly duties. He taught temperance in all things. His purpose was to furnish the principles of a perfect earthly life. It was not to publicly impart scientific facts.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 32.

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July 3

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THE PASSING OF A MASTER

When such as these lay down the burden of physical life \* \* \* \* then it is that the liberated Soul—divested of its heavier mantle of materiality—rises into such conditions of Individual Freedom, Power and Happiness and into such regions of transcendent Light and Loveliness as "it hath not entered into the heart of man" to realize or understand.

—*The Great Work* p. 456.

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July 4

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Sacred literature nowhere contains a nobler inspiration of human intelligence than that embodied in our own Declaration of Independence. When it affirmed that among the inalienable rights of man are "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" the United States Government took its stand upon the most exalted interpretation of nature.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 241.

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July 5

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That which is our own will come to us in time, and however severe the penalties of our own errors, the very fact of that great discovery and the certainty of future companionship should sustain any loving soul through whatever duties it is called upon to fulfill.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 452.

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July 6

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The amount of energy, physical, spiritual and psychical, thrown into a human life, determines the distance to which its influence may be felt and its volume extended.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 421.

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The pursuit of the Good, the True and the Beautiful, is rightly said to be the highest occupation of the Soul. These pursuits may well be said to cover the whole field of proper intellectual activity and development. That which is Good has to do with *ethical principles*. That which is True has to do with *scientific fact*. That which is Beautiful has to do with the *harmonies of material Nature*. —*Harmonics of Evolution p. 277.*

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July 8

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Love is the supreme activity of the intelligent Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution p. 383.*

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If man would rise and soar above the shadow-land of earth he must do so by the self-control and exercise of those individual faculties, capacities and powers of the soul through which he is enabled to discharge his individual responsibility and at the same time earn Nature's reward therefor, which is Individual Immortality.

—*The Great Psychological Crime p. 333.*

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As pitch in music is governed by the number of vibrations per second, so the true pitch of a human life is governed by the rapidity of all its activities.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 420.

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July 11

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Every act of this life or the life to come, so far as we know, which purposely deprives a fellow man of that which of right is his, brings to the wrong-doer a definite soul retribution.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 341.

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July 12

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The path to the South is extremely narrow and rough, uphill all the way, in the sun and facing the wind. To travel this way is difficult. It calls for the most intense and unremitting Personal Effort. Every step of the way the traveler must overcome the pull of gravity from behind and the push of the wind in front. He must climb over many an obstruction and remove many an obstacle from his way. And he must do all this *himself*.

—*The Great Work* p. 273.

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Receiving and giving. This is, indeed, the fundamental business of individual life. It is the basic function and process of the Soul. In its primary aspect this represents the sum total of life's activities.

—*The Great Work* p. 250.

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July 14

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The self-conscious, intelligent Ego knows itself to be an individual. Man feels and knows that every impulse of his nature, every concept of the brain, every act of his life, every aspiration of the Soul, emanates from himself and has its effect upon himself as an individual.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 196.

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July 15

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Who can estimate the benefit that would flow from the exchange of mere faith in a life to come for actual knowledge that such is a fact?

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 19.

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July 16

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All men and women desire to be loved, and it is the hope of this realization that inspires us all in the Struggle for Happiness both here and in the realms of Spiritual life beyond.

—*The Great Work* p. 352.

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July 17

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Right Praying is the bond between those who need and those who can give.

—*Who Answers Prayer* p. 37.

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July 18

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Through the Faculty of Consciousness we receive, and by the power of Will we may give again. In these two attributes of the Soul, the one a Faculty and the other a Power, we find our "Working Tools." They constitute our primary equipment as individual intelligences.

—*The Great Work* p. 250.

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July 19

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If the student did nothing more than work out the ethical section and conform his life strictly to the principles therein contained, nature will, in her own time, do the rest. In her own deliberate time and methodical way she will unfold for him each and all of his spiritual senses and his psychical faculties, capacities and powers.

—*The Great Work* p. 391.

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July 20

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As a man thinks, so is he, and so does he labor. The Soul who has climbed to the summit, who has reached the goal, who has attained his heart's desire, is the one and only mortal properly equipped to teach the gospel of happiness to an ignorant and sorrowing world. He is the only individual rightly conditioned to furnish both example and precept.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 460.

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July 21

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The law of love is the law of life; but there is one inexorable decree of this perfect law that must be widely taught. Over broken vows, neglected duties, and despised obligations shall no two reach the city of their dreams.

—*The Dream Child* p. 165.

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July 22

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Thirst for power causes greater suffering in this world than do the mere fleshly appetites and passions of men.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 53.

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July 23

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The artist who can sink himself in his art is ungrudgingly praised by the world.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 455.

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July 24

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"I," "Me" and "Mine" are dominant notes in human society. From the cradle to the grave we are victims of the personal pronoun. We live in it ourselves and our neighbors thrust it upon us. Absorbed in this personal pronoun and in the great personal problem, men, women and children, the wide world over, live, think and labor for "I," "Me" and "Mine." So self-centered are the most of us that these personal pronouns of our neighbors are but half heard and immediately forgotten

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 455.

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Music is the refuge of tired souls. It rests body, spirit and soul from the frictions of daily living.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 428.

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July 26

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You must so build that you shall at all times hold yourself bound to balance the account of all your benefits under the great Law of Compensation. For this Law is inexorable and immutable, as well as all beneficent.

—*The Great Work* p. 260.

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July 27

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Learn when and where to be silent. One of the greatest accomplishments any man or woman may achieve is the art of cheerful silence.

—*Florence Huntley*.

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## July 28

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The Self-Control which the Great School would have its votaries attain means that every appetite, every passion, every desire, every emotion, every impulse of the Soul, whether upon the plane of the physical, the spiritual or the psychical, shall be so absolutely under the control of the individual that he can in an instant and by a simple act of the Will, either check it, suspend it, divert it, or convert it into channels of Constructive activity.

—*The Great Work* p. 289.

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## July 29

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The so-called "new woman" is only the universal woman with a stronger will, better controlled emotions, better reasoning powers and a larger knowledge of herself and the world.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 284.

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## July 30

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Man has been the intellect of the world, woman its soul. Man has reasoned, woman has believed. She could not cope with his argument, he scorned her intuitions. Today they are coming closer together; her quickened intellect is presenting her cause to his reason, while his expanding soul is opening to the higher truths of life.

—*The Dream Child* p. 169.

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If, upon a basis of strict merit, we are able to command our own intelligent self-respect, our friends and fellows will not be long in discovering that fact, and when they do they will give us their respect without waiting for us to canvass them for it.

—*The Great Work* p. 324.

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*July 31*

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## **August**

Subject for Thought—*Personal Responsibility*

Sentiment—*Happiness*

Flower—*Pond Lily*

Stone—*Sardonyx or Peridot*

### Our Creed

“Who asks not, the chambers are darkened  
Where his soul sits in silence alone.  
Who gives not, his soul never hearkened  
To the love call of zone unto zone.  
Who prays not, exists, but he lives not,  
A blot and a discord is he.  
Who asks not, receives not and gives not,  
Were better drowned in the sea.  
Ah, the asking, receiving and giving  
Is the soul of the life that we live.  
All the beauty and sweetness of living  
Is to ask, to receive and to give.”

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August 1

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Rigid austerities have no place in the life whose rule and guide are temperance and self-control.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 462.

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August 2

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It is only when the Soul turns to others with a cry of love and recognition that Happiness pauses in its onward flight.

—*The Great Work* p. 308.

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August 3

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The spiritual plane is just as tangible and visible to a spiritual man as our physical plane is tangible and visible to a physically embodied man. The hand-clasp of two spiritual beings is just as real as, and far more magnetic than that of two physically embodied individuals.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 48.

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The School of the Masters, ages upon ages ago, demonstrated that Morality is an exact science, and that it is at the very foundation of all Constructive Spirituality. Having discovered and demonstrated this fact, it became clear to the Wise Men that a great, broad foundation of Moral Principle must first be laid for the world to stand upon before it would be possible for it to receive spiritual knowledge or rightly use it. —*The Great Work* p. 205.

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*August 5*

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Next to the Sunlight of Knowledge the Star of Faith shines most brightly in the lives of men and illumines most brilliantly the pathway of earth.  
—*The Great Work* p. 437.

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A definite knowledge of that which lies beyond removes all doubts and all fears.  
—*The Great Work* p. 437.

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In all this work of Construction you must build in such manner that you shall in no wise trespass upon the rights, privileges, prerogatives, possessions, duties or obligations of your fellow man.

—*The Great Work* p. 260.

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August 8

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What other motive can inspire the really happy man except the desire to make other people happy?

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 457.

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Whilst individual consciousness is, perhaps, as profound a mystery as there is in all the universe, it is, nevertheless, the essential foundation of all our individual efforts and all our individual progress.

—*The Great Work* p. 214.

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In that life the word hurry is unknown. There is time to learn. There is no sense of haste nor need of it.

—*The Dream Child* p. 45.

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August 11

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The things we know are those of which we are in position to make the best and most intelligent use, both in our own behalf and in behalf of those who need our help. This fact alone gives to them a value and an importance which are paramount.

—*The Great Work* p. 19.

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August 12

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He who gives grudgingly the crust of bread to the hungry wayfarer has done a physical act, but he has performed only the smallest part of his Duty.

—*The Great Work* p. 317.

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In the marvelous unfoldment of Nature's Law of Compensation every conscious and intentional evasion or violation of Personal Responsibility must be paid for "to the uttermost," either here or in the great Hereafter.

—*The Great Work* p. 383.

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*August 14*

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One of the hardest lessons to learn in life is that the man who differs with you not only in opinions, but in principles, may be as honest and sincere as yourself.

—T.K.

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*August 15*

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When the Master comes to the final transition called 'Death,' he himself has no doubts as to the issue. He knows that this is but another step in the Evolution of the Individual. He knows that death does not end his career. He knows that his personal identity will not be lost, nor even clouded, for an hour. He knows that in death there is no stinging.

—*The Great Work* p. 453.

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## August 16

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In some form or phase, every achievement of the Soul, from the standpoint of Independent Spiritual Development, is dependent upon the individual Power of Self-Control and upon the exercise of that power in the living of a life in conformity with the Constructive Principle of Nature.

—*The Great Work* p. 279.

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## August 17

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Love of life inspires every living thing. It is, however, man alone who hopes for immortality.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 13.

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## August 18

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It is important that man should know that he survives physical death. It is equally important that he should know that this earth life affords opportunities which do not obtain in spiritual life. It is important that he should realize that earthly life constitutes a series of activities which appear to have endless consequences. This philosophy continually reminds man that it is the life here which determines life there. It is the motive here which determines the habitation of the spirit there. It is the act here which evokes recompense or penalty upon the soul in that other life. In brief, it is the foundation here which supports the superstructure there.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 77.

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Human character is the common expression for quality in human life. Here, again, the key is in the hands of each individual. He may make his life harsh or sweet toward his fellow man, pleasing or offensive, as he chooses to develop his character.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 421.

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*August 20*

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All the world loves a lover. It loves him for his radiance. He represents to the Soul, ethically speaking, what physical perfection and beauty do to the eye. The world loves a lover because for the moment he is the visible, living ideal of every other Soul. He is our own desire tangibly realized in the flesh.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 433.

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*August 21*

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When the Master said: "Thy Faith hath made thee whole," he crystallized into definite form a great fundamental principle which underlies all systems of metaphysical healing wherein the efforts of the patient himself are a potential factor.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 99.

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## August 22

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There comes a time when the physical body reaches its limit of growth, but the growth of the Soul in knowledge and experience never ceases, so far as we know.

—*The Great Work* p. 255.

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## August 23

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No man is in position to understand or appreciate how infinitesimally small and seemingly insignificant, by comparison, is the volume of his own definite, personal knowledge, until he undertakes to write out in definite form a crystallized statement of those things he can say truly he knows. Then it is for the first time, he becomes clearly conscious how meager is his store of actual knowledge and how conspicuous is his intellectual poverty.

—*The Great Work* p. 17.

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## August 24

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Under the "Principle of Use" every individual is obligated by the law of individual being to make active and beneficent use of all his possessions. Under its operation no man is entitled to that which he does not or cannot use.

—*The Great Work* p. 346.

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## August 25

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It can \* \* be understood and dimly appreciated how vitally important it is for us all to "become as little children" (in the purity of motives and in the innocence of any intent to offend against the Law of Righteousness that makes for Spiritual Life) if we would "inherit the kingdom."

—*The Great Work* p. 448.

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## August 26

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No true religion ever has demanded nor in the very nature of things ever will demand of you the surrender of your individual responsibility, nor your moral accountability, nor your power of self-control, nor any of the faculties, capacities and powers upon which you must depend for the achievement of your Individual Immortality.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 353.

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## August 27

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The world is full of kindness, pessimism to the contrary. Generous impulses abound. Charity is everywhere. The average man experiences altruistic impulses in many forms.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 455.

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Under the Great Law of Spiritual Unfoldment, men and women are morally accountable and personally responsible for their acts and conduct, to the full limit of their individual knowledge, other things being equal.

—*The Great Work* p. 212.

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The proper performance of some of our simplest duties of life often calls for a character and quality of Self-Control almost immeasurably superior to that which enables us to endure with patience the most intense physical suffering.

—*The Great Work* p. 314.

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August 30

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*Faith* commands *Light*.

You have done with the shadows; lift up your eyes and from henceforth dwell in the light.

—*The Dream Child* p. 105.

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*August 31*

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To carry our Responsibilities, perform our Duties and discharge our Obligations at all is a task before which many a strong man has fallen. It is indeed one before which any man or woman might pause with a feeling of doubt and dread. But to do all this with the soul forever keyed to the level of true Spiritual Unfoldment is even a more difficult task. But it is at the same time a more exalted one. It calls for the best there is in us.

—*The Great Work* p. 315.

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## September

Subject for Thought—*The Basis of Responsibility*

Sentiment—*Wisdom*

Flower—*Poppy*

Stone—*Sapphire*

## A Resolution

“To keep my health! To do my work! To live!  
To see to it I grow and gain and give!  
Never to look behind me for an hour!  
To wait in weakness and walk in power!  
But always fronting forward to the light!  
Always and always facing toward the right!  
Robbed, starved or defeated, fallen wide astray—  
On, with what strength I have, back to the way.”

—*Author not known to us.*

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### September 1

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The work of the initiate in the Great School is that of a "Builder." From the beginning to the end of his labors he is building the "Temple of Human Character." This he does upon the solid rock of enduring Truth and "when the Temple is completed" it stands as a column of unfading "Light" to illumine the pathway of life to all who travel that way.

—*The Great Work* p. 45.

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### September 2

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The history of human development proves that happiness—the goal of human desires—is a state of consciousness that does not depend upon the physical appetites and passions, nor upon the acquisition of material wealth. It proves further, that not even power or position or fame or honor is the guaranty of this coveted estate.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 243.

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### September 3

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Knowledge comes to the individual only as the result of Personal Effort. Every item must be, and is, paid for by his own personal effort, either physical, spiritual, mental or moral, and for this reason it becomes his *earned* increment. At the same time it becomes a permanent possession.

—*The Great Work* p. 255.

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In the accomplishment of Spiritual Independence, as the term is employed in this work, the Attitude of Soul is the first thing to be accomplished, and Personal Effort in harmony therewith is the second.

—*The Great Work* p. 311.

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September 5

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Self-Control is, indeed, the first of the three great fundamental problems of Mastership. Nature evolves a man. Nature alone, however, can never evolve a Master. Mastership involves a process wherein the intelligence and volition of man himself are vital and essential factors.

—*The Great Work* p. 286.

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The road to wisdom has few travelers.

—*The Dream Child* p. 122.

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## September 7

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The best womanhood of today is arrayed for a peaceful crusade. That crusade is conducted in the name of education, industry, art, and of equality, altruism and love. She thus moves into higher activities while maintaining the feminine principle of accomplishment by pacific methods. She stands for arbitration, not for war; for principles and not for policies. She puts questions of morality before questions of expediency. She seeks domestic equality rather than political power. She stands for mercy as well as for justice. She relies upon the power of love rather than the power of legislation.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 284.

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## September 8

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The whole problem of Sociology is founded upon the principle of co-operation. But the principle of co-operation is only another expression for the "Law of Mutual Service." And in its final aspect and analysis the Law of Mutual Service is but another expression for the mutual Receiving and Giving involved in Prayer and the Answer to Prayer. In this view of the subject Prayer and its Answer are the very foundation principle upon which the social structure is erected.

—TK. in "*Life and Action*."

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## September 9

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Some things we know and we know that we know them.

Some things we assume to know, but we know that we do not know them.

Some things we believe, but we do not know them, nor do we even assume to know them.

All other things we neither know, nor assume to know, nor do we even believe them.

—*The Great Work* p. 11.

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It is possible for us to dwell too much upon the subject of our own weaknesses, faults and shortcomings, and grow discouraged. One should indulge himself in the effort at Self-Analysis, until he has discovered every one of these—not that he should grow fearful of them, but that he may adopt such a course of life and conduct as will overcome them.

—TK. in "*Life and Action.*"

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*September 11*

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Rational happiness is the highest attainment of the Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 383.

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This is the philosophy of faith, hope and happiness, and of the persistence and progress of the Completed Individual in another and higher world than this.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 226.

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Remember \* \* \* that life is but the shadow of reality; that death is mere transition, and that love is Immortal.

—*The Dream Child* p. 220.

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The word "completion" must not be confused with the idea of "perfection," nor must it be taken to mean the completion of individual development. Science has nowhere discovered a state or condition of perfection in man. Neither has it discovered any individual relation or attainment which means the end of individual effort and achievement.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 213.

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From the standpoint of the actor the moral quality of every act of an intelligent individual must be measured by the motive which prompts it.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 270.

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September 16

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There is no single index which marks the status of a people so perfectly, in an evolutionary sense, as the position which they accord to their women. History tells this story on every page throughout the ages past. It will tell it on every page of future history.

—TK. in *"Life and Action."*

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September 17

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The man who devotes himself faithfully to the central problem of maintaining the harmony of his relation to the Constructive Principle of Nature may make some "mistakes" and some possible "errors," but he will never commit a "sin." So long as his Soul is in harmony with the Great Central Principle it is impossible for him to commit an intentional wrong or injure his fellow man.

—*The Great Work* p. 173.

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September 18

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Every ideal is a composite of individual characteristics. These individual characteristics may be as "numberless as the sands upon the seashore;" nevertheless, when they are assembled or brought together in proper relation, they make up the ideal character.

—TK. in *"Life and Action."*

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All things, humanly speaking, are possible to the lover. The courage, the endurance, the patience and the suffering of faithful love are re-read and re-told from generation to generation. The bare facts of history irrespective of science constitute unanswerable proof that man and woman alone have wrought out the true Love Story of the World. These are the unanswerable proofs that love is born of the Soul. —*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 434.

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September 20

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Natural Science, and the Philosophy of Life founded on that science, accept Christ as an exemplar of truth. It regards him as among the greatest of Masters who have proved the fact of life after physical death by scientific and natural means.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 25.

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September 21

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Men appear to themselves and to others to be doing an infinite variety of things. This, in a physical sense, and even in a purely intellectual sense is quite true. In an ethical sense, however, all men are in reality doing the same thing. In reality, all men are struggling for the same ultimate ethical state of the Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 239.

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## September 22

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A complete mastery of Natural Science necessitates:

1. A physical organism that will sustain the proper refinement.
2. An intelligence which comprehends the philosophy as a whole.
3. The will to maintain control over every department of individual nature.
4. The moral courage to rightly apply and practice the knowledge and powers gained.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 49.

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## September 23

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It is not enough to know the law of love; loving is the greater gift.

—*The Dream Child* p. 127.

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## September 24

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Those who "Live the Life" here in accordance with the Ethical Formulary, are able to make the transit of physical death consciously and in complete possession of all their intelligent faculties, capacities and powers.

—*The Great Work* p. 440.

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## September 25

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God, or Nature is never in haste. Their mills grind slowly, but they grind "exceeding fine." Each delinquent is given ample time to "work out his penalties" under the Law of Personal Responsibility—which is but another way of "working out his own salvation."

—*The Great Work* p. 383.

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## September 26

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The "Method" of the Great School has been wrought out in conformity with the Constructive Principle and Process of Nature in Individual Life. The primary and fundamental purpose of this method is to unfold and develop the faculties, capacities and powers of the Intelligent Soul to their highest constructive possibilities and subject alone to the independent action and operation of its own Will.

—*The Great Work* p. 148.

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## September 27

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Caste in the spiritual world means more than it does here. People there are not so often found out of place. In a literal sense, men show their "true colors" in the spiritual world. The natural law leaves the individual little opportunity for simulation. He appears as he is, stupid or active, dull or intelligent, evil or good. He appears selfish or cowardly, noble or exalted, just as he is.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 66.

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Who *wills* may scale the heights.

—*The Dream Child* p. 139.

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Until we are able to commend ourselves to ourselves in good conscience we have no right to commend ourselves to others at all. And when we have once truly attained to a state and condition of Soul growth which justly entitles us to our own commendation it will not be necessary for us to commend ourselves to others.

—*The Great Work* p. 324.

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Love is as involuntary as breathing. It is the instant and involuntary response of the individual to the universal law of harmonics. There is no known principle or process in Nature that can *compel* love between the very meanest of Nature's children. Love is the exact reverse of compulsion.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 307.

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## October

Subject for Thought—*What we Deserve*

Sentiment—*Hope*

Flower—*Cosmos*

Stone—*Opal*

## As You Make It

To the preacher life's a sermon,  
To the joker it's a jest;  
To the miser life is money,  
To the loafer life is rest.  
To the lawyer life's a trial,  
To the poet life's a song;  
To the doctor life's a patient  
That needs treatment right along.  
To the soldier life's a battle;  
To the teacher life's a school;  
Life's a "good thing" to the grafter,  
It's a failure to the fool.  
To the man upon the engine  
Life's a long and heavy grade;  
It's a gamble to the gambler,  
To the merchant life is trade.  
Life's a picture to the artist,  
To the rascal life's a fraud;  
Life perhaps is but a burden  
To the man beneath the hod.  
Life is lovely to the lover,  
To the player life's a play;  
Life may be a load of trouble  
To the man upon the dray.  
Life is but a long vacation  
To the man who loves his work;  
Life's an everlasting effort  
To shun duty to the shirk.  
To the heaven-blest romancer  
Life's a story ever new;  
Life is what we try to make it—  
Brother, what is life to you?

—S. E. Kiser in *Chicago Record-Herald*.

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October 1

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If the humble spirit and exalted purpose of the Master, Jesus, could have been maintained intact within the Christian movement, there is not the least doubt that their irresistible influence would have conquered the world of doubt and degeneracy many centuries ago.

—*The Great Work* p. 329.

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October 2

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You have builded better than you know, it may be.

—*The Dream Child* p. 163.

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Individual immortality is an achievement of the Soul and not an arbitrary imposition of God or Nature upon all mankind without regard to individual choice.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 337.

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In the realm of the higher citizenship of the soul there is but one law, the great Law of Justice.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 339.

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Liberty to work out the great problem of individual life and destiny according to the dictates of Individual Conscience, is worth vastly more to any Soul than the liberty to accumulate material possessions, or the liberty to enjoy them to the exclusion of those who more justly deserve them or more greatly need them.

—*The Great Work* p. 306.

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The man who gets "outside of himself" is the unusual man, but he is as welcome as sunlight anywhere and everywhere.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 455.

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It is the spirit, not the body of a man, which grows impatient, suffers and enjoys.

—*The Dream Child* p. 129.

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When it is said that true marriage must have the sanction of both intuition and reason, it is meant that the act must be a matter of impulse, feeling, love, and also a matter of reason, judgment and reflection. It must be remembered that Nature supplies man with his impulses and his intuitions. Man, however, must supply his own reasoning.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 450.

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Life here and hereafter has a common development and a common purpose.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 58.

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The spiritual world has locality. It encircles this planet like a vast girdle.\*\*\*\*In appearance, that world is analogous to this. That is to say, it has a similar distribution of land and water. There are oceans and continents. There are mountains, valleys and plains. There are forests, lakes and rivers. The same activity in the material world exists there as here. There is movement of all the waters. There are magnetic changes of matter. There is growth in vegetation.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 60.

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Consistency is a jewel so precious and so rare that it is possessed by only the few.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 205.

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Whatever deprives man of his own free, independent and voluntary control and exercise of the fundamental attributes of the Soul, thereby robs him of his power to co-operate with Nature's Constructive Principle, discharge his individual responsibility or achieve Individual Immortality and Self-Completion, and destroys the possibility of his happiness both here and hereafter.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 328.

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To the greedy, the selfish, the ambitious and vain, Happiness is a veritable will-o'-the-wisp. It eludes them, and is forever just beyond their grasp.

—*The Great Work* p. 307.

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Natural Science is knowledge of the facts of Nature, in the broadest and most comprehensive meaning of the term "Nature." It includes knowledge of things physical, spiritual, psychical and ethical. It embodies knowledge of the laws, principles, forces, activities and processes which operate within man himself as well as in the great world of Nature without.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 39.

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The pathway of the Soul which leads to human happiness, or to the goal of human ambitions, is both steep and rugged and beset with many dangers.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 205.

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Man's value to himself as an individual is the only sure and true measure of his value as an active, living factor in the social organism of which he is a part.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 385.

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Except for this natural hope and expectation of a life to come man could not properly work out his destiny upon this physical plane. Faith is a perpetual inspiration, while skepticism clouds the best efforts. A creed of annihilation saps the springs of human energy. It thwarts the finest possibilities.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 13.

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Evolution involves the refinement of matter, the increase of vibratory action, the generation of life, the individualization of intelligence, the development of love and the attainment of happiness.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 94.

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No man's mere belief, however honest or earnest it may be, carries with it a positive guaranty of its truth.

—*The Great Work* p. 18.

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The past becomes but a storehouse of experiences to which man returns only when in need of the materials it can furnish him for the solution of the more vital problems of the present and the future.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 295.

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Rational Happiness is the normal destiny of the Soul. The attainment of such Happiness is the first duty, as well as the highest privilege, of rational beings.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 442.

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There are thousands of men and women today who are unwittingly binding the chains of material slavery upon their Souls by their greed for and absorption in the purely material "Things" of earth.

—*The Great Work* p. 355.

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October 23

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If we but held ourselves to a rigid and strictly truthful differentiation of data we employ, there is perhaps not one of us but would be greatly surprised if not genuinely humiliated, to find how many things we assume to know which are, in truth, altogether outside the limits of our personal knowledge.

—*The Great Work* p. 14.

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The only life that is worth anything is the life of Service to Humanity.

—*The Great Work* p. 308.

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Whatever his religion or philosophy of life may be, every individual has, deep down in his consciousness, an ideal of what, to him, constitutes true manhood and true womanhood. This ideal embodies his highest concept of wisdom, virtue and truth, equity, justice and right, morality, friendship and brotherly love, intelligence, courage and perseverance.

—TK. in *"Life and Action."*

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October 26

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When men of science will consent to substitute the word "Undiscovered" for the word "Unknowable," dogmatism and persecution will have received their death-blow.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 91.

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One of the most important duties every individual owes to himself and to his fellow man is, at all times and as rapidly as possible, to increase the number and volume of the things he knows; and in so doing select those facts and truths of which he can make the most valuable use. For by this process alone he becomes the better equipped to discharge his personal responsibility to both himself and his fellow man.

—*The Great Work* p. 20.

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Those who achieve individual success are those who employ their own intelligence and their own reason, those who exercise their own independent powers and rely upon their own independent judgments in all the affairs of life.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 354.

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October 29

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We are informed that the spiritual world is governed and presided over by men and women who together share the labors and the service, and who divide the honors of that life without rivalry or hostility. Not only this, they share these activities and honors with an ever-increasing consciousness of equality and an ever-increasing mutual respect, trust and homage.

—*Florence Huntley* in "*Life and Action*."

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The delight of power is less than the joy of loving.

—*The Dream Child* p. 127.

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Personal Responsibility is as much and as truly a result of natural law as is gravity or Life itself. The individual can no more defy this law and at the same time escape its natural and inevitable consequences than he can violate any other law of Nature without having to suffer the penalty of such violation.

—*The Great Work* p. 379.

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## November

Subject for Thought—*What is Sin?*

Sentiment—*Fidelity*

Flower—*Chrysanthemum*

Stone—*Topaz*

## The Fool's Prayer

The royal feast was done; the King  
Sought some new sport to banish care,  
And to his jester cried: "Sir Fool,  
Kneel now, and make for us a prayer!"

The jester doffed his cap and bells,  
And stood the mocking court before;  
They could not see the bitter smile  
Behind the painted grin he wore.

He bowed his head, and bent his knee  
Upon the monarch's silken stool;  
His pleading voice arose: "O Lord,  
Be merciful to me, a fool!"

"No pity, Lord, could change the heart  
From red with wrong to white as wool;  
The rod must heal the sin; but, Lord,  
Be merciful to me, a fool!"

"'Tis not by guilt the onward sweep  
Of truth and right, O Lord, we stay;  
'Tis by our follies that so long  
We hold the earth from heaven away.

"These clumsy feet, still in the mire,  
Go crushing blossoms without end;  
These hard, well-meaning hands we thrust  
Among the heart-strings of a friend.

"The ill-timed truth we might have kept—  
Who knows how sharp it pierced and stung?  
The word we had not sense to say—  
Who knows how grandly it had rung?

"Our faults no tenderness should ask,  
The chastening stripes must cleanse them all.  
But for our blunders—oh, in shame  
Before the eyes of heaven we fall.

"Earth bears no balsam for mistakes;  
Men crown the knave, and scourge the fool  
That did his will; but Thou, O Lord,  
Be merciful to me, a fool!"

The room was hushed; in silence rose  
The king, and sought his gardens cool,  
And walked apart, and murmured low,  
"Be merciful to me, a fool!"

—E. R. Sill.

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November 1

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Intellectual and moral interdependence, reciprocity and companionship of two intelligent beings, is the highest ideal of which the human mind is capable, and a philosophy which conserves Nature declares that this ideal is already working itself out as a very practical, tangible, earthly reality.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 288.

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November 2

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The Law of Retributive Justice is but a single phase of the great Law of Compensation. That Law is immutable, irrevocable and inexorable. Whosoever invites its judgments must suffer its penalties.

—*The Gay Gnani of Gingalee* pp. 183-4.

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November 3

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The Great Work is the pursuit of Truth, and is essentially a departure from whatever is artificial or assumed.

—*Florence Huntley in "Life and Action."*

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He who has realized the transforming power of a perfect love already occupies a new heaven and a new earth. To him all things have been changed in the twinkling of an eye. Even the face of inanimate nature appears changed and glorified to his sense of vision. The difficulties and perplexities of his life have vanished. What was discouragement is now hope. What was in doubt is now cleared up. Tasks have become opportunities, and failure is a word he appears to have forgotten.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 483.

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The School of the Wise Men discovered many thousands of years ago, that Personal Responsibility is a fixed and immutable principle of nature and a Law of Individual Life, and that there are no substitutes nor antidotes for it.

—*The Great Work* p. 380.

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The attainment of each successive sphere of life brings to the individual its own peculiar reward.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 235.

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True development embraces an equal and steady improvement in all of the members and organs of the physical body, in all of the members and organs of the spiritual body, and in all of the powers and capacities of the Soul.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 392.

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November 8

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If men have done the pioneering in the field of knowledge, it has been solely because men are by nature pioneers. \*\*\*\* The undiscovered country in the world of knowledge is as open to women as it is to men, and one of the fundamental purposes of the Great School of Natural Science is to stimulate women with the desire for intellectual conquest, so that they will find pleasure in accompanying us "mere men" on our own perilous and difficult journeys in search of definite knowledge.

—*TK. in "Life and Action."*

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There is no death except to those who love not.

—*The Dream Child* p. 221.

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## November 10

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In principle, in execution and in purpose, universal Nature is both hospitable and intelligent. It moves toward its beneficent purposes in spite of the errors of individual intelligence. The individual, in spite of his ignorance, is indirectly guided and admonished and educated by the immutable principles which he finds he cannot alter. Thus, guided, warned and instructed by the great, silent Teacher of Laws, man gradually advances to an independent, rational and cheerful compliance with those laws.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 203.

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## November 11

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What may appear to be adverse conditions in this life may, in fact, be the very conditions which best develop the individual spiritually and morally.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 70.

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## November 12

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Man appears to be inherently invested with the power and ability to perpetuate his own organic, individual existence upon the spiritual planes of life indefinitely.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 299.

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True Happiness is the result of our dependence upon others, and not our independence of them. Happiness, therefore, in its true sense, is one of the things which nature compels us to share with others whether we will or not. It cannot possibly be made an exclusive individual possession. The individual who attempts to appropriate it inevitably loses it or fails to find it.

—*The Great Work* p. 307.

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November 14

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The man who is able to walk in the midst of temptations and has reached that degree of self-control where he is strong enough in his own right to live a clean life, is a greater Soul in every way than he who must depend upon statutes to banish from his sight and reach the temptations of life.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 377.

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The physical body of man is but the objective expression, in terms of physical matter, of those higher spiritual forces which are back of it.

—*The Reality of Matter* p. 160.

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Knowledge of the life to come is valuable to an earthly man, only in so far as it furnishes the motive and inspiration to a higher and better earthly life.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 76.

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The most exalted dreams of romancer or poet are but the soul's perceptions of the truth.

—*The Dream Child* p. 160.

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Happiness is the most irresistible teacher of goodness on earth or in heaven. The example of one rationally happy being is farther reaching and more enduring than volumes of precept. Such a man or woman is the most potent factor for healthful development to be found on earth.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 460.

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Under the Law of Retributive Justice the man who enslaves the souls of his fellow men, by the same act forges about his own neck the iron collar of servitude.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 343.

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November 20

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Men, nations and continents pass away, but human effort is never wasted. Knowledge is never entirely lost.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 16.

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November 21

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The expectation of life after physical death comes first as an intuition. That purely spiritual intuition is as strong in the savage as it is in the civilized. \* \* \* The spiritual intuition of the savage establishes an expectation of life after physical death. Later on the higher grade man attempts to verify his own intuition by rational means.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* pp. 14-15.

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Man, to sustain himself upon the higher rounds of spiritual life, must find occupation in more beneficent pursuits than that of reveling in the memories of the past.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 295.

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November 23

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The Law of Spiritual Gravity obtains upon all the planes and in all the conditions of life both here and hereafter, as far as it has been possible to follow its operations.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 340.

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November 24

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There is no death. Instead, a man has one life in two worlds. When he leaves the physical body he simply takes up life on the other side as would any stranger suddenly transported to some strange and unfamiliar country. He takes up life under new conditions while remaining in essence the same man he was on earth. He is released from the physical exactions and physical activities, nothing more.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 70.

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November 25

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A Great Psychological Crime is such a crime against the intelligent Soul of Man as deprives it of any of the inalienable rights, privileges, benefits, powers or possibilities with which God or Nature has invested it.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 7.

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November 26

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He who gives heed to his own spiritual intuitions is never without hope. He who has hope may acquire faith. He who has both hope and faith may acquire actual knowledge, provided he have the Intelligence, the Courage and the Perseverance to prove the law.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 14.

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November 27

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That which is masculine and that which is feminine never lose their essential qualities of positive and receptive energy. Man and woman may come into a better adjustment in their mutual relation. They cannot, however, exchange places, nor become the same thing.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 218.

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The attainment of rational happiness is the end of selfishness.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 454.

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November 29

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Insofar as one may evolve toward independent spiritual unfoldment through the slower process of *Living the Life* in conformity with the Constructive Principle of Nature, it is not only "best" for him to do so, but he is bound by every consideration of Morality, by every interest of both individual and society, to do so. This is true, not alone of the few, but of all men and women.

—TK. in "*Life and Action*."

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November 30

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Through self-conquest and self-control you will conquer people and situations, but you must not weary of well doing. \*\*\* If you persist in your good work, the Law of Compensation will take you up and sustain you and give you back all just rewards for your courage, and at crucial moments, when your courage seems to be at ebb-tide and your nerves tingle with self-restraint, call upon the Great Friends for a new supply and you will get it.

—*Florence Huntley*.

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## December

Subject for Thought—*The Measure of Sin*  
Sentiment—*Purity and Prosperity*  
Flower—*Holly*  
Stone—*Turquoise*

## Judge Not

Judge not; the workings of his brain  
And of his heart thou canst not see;  
What looks to thy dim eyes a stain,  
In God's pure light may only be  
A scar, brought from some well won field,  
Where thou wouldst only faint and yield.

The look, the air, that frets thy sight  
May be a token that below  
The soul has closed in deadly fight  
With some infernal fiery foe,  
Whose glance would scorch thy smiling grace,  
And cast thee shuddering on thy face!

The fall thou darest to despise—  
May be the angel's slackened hand  
Has suffered it, that he may rise  
And take a firmer, surer stand;  
Or, trusting less to earthly things,  
May henceforth learn to use his wings.

And judge none lost; but wait and see,  
With hopeful pity, not disdain;  
The depth of the abyss may be  
The measure of the height and pain  
And love and glory that may raise  
This soul to God in after days!

—*Adelaide A. Procter.*

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The law that creates harmony in the spiritual world demands it in the physical.

—*The Dream Child* p. 174.

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A primitive people, like young children, can be taught ethical truth before they have either a craving or capacity for scientific knowledge. Teachers of the primitive mind, like the teachers of young children, have universally adopted a figurative and poetic style. Only advanced intelligence desires and demands literal and exact knowledge.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 119.

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It matters not what the particular emotion may be, whether of the most exalting or the most debasing character, if the individual but yield to its influence it will ultimately control every faculty, capacity and power of the Soul, including the power of will.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 258.

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The best intelligence of the age insists that whatever is, is natural. It insists that whatever exists as universal phenomena is susceptible of analysis and demonstration under natural law.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 154.

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The spiritual world is inhabited just as this world is, by intelligent beings capable of moral improvement. They are real people; in fact, the same people who have previously lived here. They are simply spiritually embodied intelligences instead of physically embodied individuals. They preserve their identity as certain individuals from this plane. They continue to follow in the same general lines of intellectual and moral activity which engaged them in this world.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 61.

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Ignorance is the root of all social evil, just as partial knowledge is the basis of intellectual controversy. Disputation lessens in an exact ratio with the definite knowledge brought to bear. Every new proved fact in Nature settles some sharp debate.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 179.

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You must assert your sovereign dominion over the faculties, capacities and powers of the Soul upon which your individual responsibility depends.

—*The Great Psychological Crime* p. 356.

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If \* \* \* \* the spirit of criticism must be gratified, then let it be self-criticism, alone, and never that of others.

—TK. in "*Life and Action.*"

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December 9

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Among the laws taught by the Masters as emanating from the eternal sources of truth, was the first and greatest—the law of love. Not only that overshadowing love of the Creator for the created, nor of man for his brother, but that strangely blended love which is both divine and human, and lies at the root of all earthly happiness—the love of man and woman. This is the law of laws.

—*The Dream Child* p. 125.

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Who would know the Truth must dare to look her in the face.

—*The Dream Child* p. 204.

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Love is of God, and marriages are made in heaven. A man and a woman are mated in the chemical forces of nature; they are mated in the intellectual and spiritual forces of the universe.

—*The Dream Child* p. 172.

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The end of the Struggle for Self-Completion is the true beginning of an intelligent struggle for others.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 454.

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That impersonal consideration for all men which we define as Altruism is the bond of our common humanity.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 416.

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December 14

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Though the world clamors for truth, the history of human development is a long record of persecutions and indignities which the world has heaped upon its teachers of truth. No man nor school of men can teach a science or philosophy except the people have reached a development corresponding to the class of knowledge to be taught.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 117.

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December 15

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“Mastership” involves an instruction, a study, a labor, the living of a life, and an evolutionary unfoldment which together may require years of personal effort and unwavering loyalty to the Cause of Truth.

—*The Great Work* p. 207.

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Let it be understood that man in his normal condition upon the physical plane inhabits two bodies, the one composed of physical material and the other of spiritual material. \* \* \* Each of these two bodies has its own set of sensory organs, the one corresponding to the plane of physical matter and the other corresponding to the plane of spiritual matter.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 127.

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*December 17*

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The loftiest in poetry, the sweetest in music, the loveliest in color and form, are contributions to the true Love Story of the World.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 440.

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*December 18*

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In spiritual life, as in this life, man particularly represents law, order and knowledge, while woman particularly represents peace, love and all the aesthetic and ethical activities.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 68.

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Living is a science. Love is the fulfilling of the law. Happiness is the fundamental reality of existence.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 447.

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*December 20*

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The foremost claim made for this philosophy is its conservation of natural law. Its chief claim, therefore, upon rational intelligence, lies in the fact that it distinctly recognizes the limitations of finite intelligence and of finite endeavor.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* pp. 7-8.

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*December 21*

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Happiness is simply unselfishness in its literal sense.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 457.

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There is a principle in Nature which impels every entity to seek vibratory correspondence with another like entity of opposite polarity.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 102.

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The League of Spiritual Helpers, with its devoted legions of self-elected workers upon the dark borderland of earth and earth's conditions, is composed of men and women working side by side to educate the ignorant, comfort the penitent and save the erring.

—*Florence Huntley, in "Life and Action."*

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The perfect marriage is a bond eternal.

—*The Dream Child* p. 182.

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Each primitive idea seems to be only a kernel from which a tree of thought springs up in the orchard of knowledge where each year it puts forth its buds of hope, its blossoms of promise and its ripened fruitage of realization for the harvest of Truth.

—TK.

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*December 26*

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Among the unavoidable Obligations which Nature has fixed upon every Intelligent Soul is that of recognizing and respecting the "Inalienable Rights, Privileges and Prerogatives" of every other Intelligent Soul.

—*The Great Work* p. 304.

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*December 27*

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It is as natural to desire life after physical death, to hope for it, to seek knowledge of it, as it is to desire food, light and air. It is an unfortunate man who does not hope for life to come. It is a diseased or abnormal one who does not desire it. A man without hope or desire merely exists. He can scarcely be said to live.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 14.

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How many husbands are there today who, in actual practice, provide the material necessities of the home *in such manner* as to perform the Duty and discharge the Obligation in full which they owe to those who are of right dependent upon them?

—*The Great Work* p. 317.

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December 29

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We must remember that underlying these errors of men is the soul's eternal progress toward the truth.

—*The Dream Child* p. 178.

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December 30

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To prove that death does not end all has been the most valuable single achievement of man in the physical body.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 48.

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This philosophy makes of each individual man and woman a natural heir to all the beneficences of Nature and of Nature's God.

—*Harmonics of Evolution* p. 463.

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Go on, go on, go on;  
Go on, go on, go on, go on,  
Go on, go on, go on.

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### A Promise

“If only we strive to be pure and true  
To each of us all there will come an hour  
When the tree of life shall burst into flower  
And rain at our feet the wonderful dower  
Of something grander than ever we knew.”

—*Wordsworth.*





Great Father, to whom we are all as but children; Friends of the friendless, and Helpers of those who need; Be our Friends when other friends have failed us; be our Helpers in the hour of our extremity. In so far as may be for our mutual good, be with us this day and through all the days of this our earthly life. Lead us by the hand of Love. Point us to the pathway of Duty. Bear with us when we stumble over the pathway which leads onward and upward into the Light. And we shall hope one day to stand with You, in the midst of the Radiant Splendor of Eternal Truth. And we shall be ever grateful.

### Will-Power

There is no chance, no destiny, no fate,  
Can circumvent, or hinder, or control,  
The firm resolve of a determined soul.  
Gifts count for little; Will alone is great;  
All things give way before it soon or late.  
What obstacle can stay the mighty force  
Of the sea-seeking river in its course,  
Or cause the ascending Orb of day to wait?  
Each well-born Soul must win what it deserves.  
Let the fool prate of Luck! The fortunate  
Is he whose earnest purpose never swerves,  
Whose slightest action or inaction serves  
The one great aim.

Why, even death stands still  
And waits an hour, sometimes, for such a Will!  
—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*



### Florence Huntley's Prayer

"Great Friends, of the Order of Light, be with me.  
Supplement me in my efforts to acquire Self  
Control, and to live out my part with Courage.

Help me in my efforts to help myself.

Help me in so far as you see that I am honestly  
trying to do my duty.

Give me comfort when I falter—and if it be possible, give me, in the hour of my greatest need, a  
CONSCIOUSNESS of your presence and your care."





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